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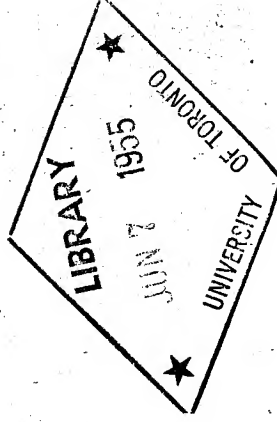
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Preamble.

WHEREAS the Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom known as *The British Columbia Act, 1866*, defines the eastern boundary of the Province of British Columbia as a line extending "from the Boundary of the *United States* Northwards by the *Rocky Mountains* and the One hundred and twentieth Meridian of West Longitude", and the Act of the Parliament of Canada known as the *Alberta Act*, chapter 3 of the statutes of 1905, defines the western boundary of the Province of Alberta as being the eastern boundary of the Province of British Columbia; 5 10

AND WHEREAS by the Act of the Parliament of Canada known as *The Alberta-British Columbia Boundary Act, 1932*, the boundary line between the Provinces of Alberta and British Columbia from the boundary of the United States to a point on the one hundred and twentieth meridian of west longitude in or about latitude north fifty-seven degrees, twenty-six minutes and forty and twenty-five one hundredths seconds was declared to be the boundary line surveyed, marked and laid down in the manner referred to in the preamble of that Act; 15 20

AND WHEREAS the northerly extension of the boundary line between the Provinces of Alberta and British Columbia from the point hereinbefore described to the sixtieth parallel of north latitude has been surveyed and marked on the ground by commissioners appointed for the purpose in accordance with the description of the eastern boundary of British Columbia defined in *The British Columbia Act, 1866*, which boundary line as so surveyed is shown upon twelve map-sheets signed by the commissioners and of record in the Department of Mines and Technical Surveys at Ottawa; 25 30

EXPLANATORY NOTES.

The purpose of this Bill is, in compliance with the requests of the Provinces of Alberta and British Columbia, to confirm part of the boundary line between these provinces as surveyed and marked on the ground by Commissions duly appointed for this purpose.

In 1932 the Parliament of Canada passed *The Alberta-British Columbia Boundary Act, 1932*, declaring the line surveyed by the Commissioners between the years 1913 and 1924 from the 49th parallel, that is to say, the boundary between the United States and Canada, up to a point on the 120th meridian of west longitude about north latitude $57^{\circ} 26' 40.25''$ to be the boundary line between the Provinces of Alberta and British Columbia whether or not the same increased, diminished or otherwise altered the territory of either province.

This Act of the Parliament of Canada had been preceded by Acts of consent of the Legislatures of the Provinces of Alberta and British Columbia as required by section 3 of the *British North America Act, 1871*.

The second part of the boundary was surveyed and marked on the ground by the Commissioners appointed for this purpose between the years 1950 and 1953.

The Legislatures of the Provinces of Alberta and British Columbia have now passed Acts whereby they consent that the Parliament of Canada do declare the line surveyed, monumented and shown in the manner referred to in the preamble of their acts and to the extent thereof, that is to say from a point on the 120th meridian of west longitude about north latitude $57^{\circ} 26' 40.25''$ to the terminus on the 60th parallel of north latitude, to be the boundary line between their respective provinces whether or not the same increases, diminishes or otherwise alters the territory of their respective provinces.

Consequently, this Bill is to declare, in accordance with the Acts of consent of the Legislatures of the Provinces of Alberta and British Columbia, that the boundary line between the two provinces as surveyed and marked on the ground is the boundary between the two provinces.

AND WHEREAS the legislatures of the Provinces of Alberta and British Columbia having consented thereto, it is desirable that the boundary line so surveyed and marked on the ground be declared the boundary line between the Provinces of Alberta and British Columbia from the point 5
hereinbefore described to the sixtieth parallel of north latitude;

NOW THEREFORE, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows: 10

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the *Alberta-British Columbia Boundary Act, 1955*.

Boundary
declared.

2. The boundary line surveyed and marked on the ground by commissioners appointed in 1950, 1952 and 1953 to delimit the boundary between the Provinces of Alberta 15
and British Columbia and shown on twelve map-sheets entitled "Boundary between Alberta and British Columbia", numbered 55 to 66, signed by the commissioners and of record in the Department of Mines and Technical Surveys at Ottawa is hereby declared to be the boundary line 20
between the Provinces of Alberta and British Columbia from a point on the one hundred and twentieth meridian of west longitude in or about latitude north fifty-seven degrees, twenty-six minutes and forty and twenty-five one hundredths seconds to the sixtieth degree of north 25
latitude, and in so far as the boundary line so described increases, diminishes or otherwise alters the limits of those Provinces, their limits are increased, diminished or otherwise altered accordingly.

Coming
into force.

3. This Act shall come into force on a day to be fixed 39
by proclamation of the Governor in Council.